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SPRINGFIELD IL - The Illinois Field Office of NASS today released the USDA's **June Acreage and Grain Stocks Reports**. Highlights of the report include:

## **JUNE ACREAGE** **ILLINOIS**

**Corn** planted in Illinois in 2013 is estimated at 12.2 million acres, unchanged from the March Prospective Plantings Report and down 600 thousand acres from last year. Acreage planted to biotechnology varieties is estimated at 89 percent of the total acreage, up from 85 percent last year. Bt varieties account for 4 percent, herbicide resistant varieties account for 7 percent, and 78 percent was stacked-gene varieties. Corn planting got off to a slow start due to cool and wet conditions across most of the state through mid May. Excessive rains lead to slow emergence and flooding in some areas causing replanting in those areas. Conditions since mid May have returned to more "normal". As of June 23, corn was rated 2 percent very poor, 7 percent poor, 24 percent fair, 50 percent good, and 17 percent excellent.

An estimated 9.4 million acres are planted and to be planted to **soybeans** in Illinois for the 2013 season. This is unchanged from the March intentions but 350 thousand acres more than last year. An estimated 92 percent of all soybean acres are planted to herbicide resistant varieties. Soybean planting was also delayed due to the excessive rains but has since caught up to the normal pace. As of June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 87 percent of the crop had emerged compared to a five-year average of 85 percent. The crop was rated 2 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 23 percent fair, 51 percent good, and 18 percent excellent on June 23.

An estimated 850 thousand acres of **winter wheat** were seeded in Illinois last fall, 190 thousand acres more than in 2011. Harvested acreage is expected to total 820 thousand acres, up 175 thousand from last year. As of June 23, 53 percent of the wheat crop was ripe, compared to 95 percent last year and the five-year average of 62 percent. Harvest is well behind normal with only 12 percent complete on June 23, compared to 82 percent last year and the five-year average of 34 percent.

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**Corn** planted area for all purposes in 2013 is estimated at 97.4 million acres, up slightly from last year. This represents the highest planted acreage in the United States since 1936 when an estimated 102 million acres were planted. Growers expect to harvest 89.1 million acres for grain, up 2 percent from last year.

The planting of this year's corn crop was significantly delayed by cold and wet conditions across much of the major corn-producing region. Showers received during April aided soil moisture levels, however, wet soils and cool temperatures prevented fieldwork throughout much of the Midwest. By April 28, only 5 percent of the corn crop was planted, 44 percentage points behind last year and 26 percentage points behind the 5-year average. This represented the slowest planting pace since 1984. Nationwide, 91 percent of this year's corn crop was planted by June 2, nine percentage points behind last year and 4 percentage points behind the 5-year average. Seventy-four percent of the crop had emerged, 22 percentage points behind last year and 8 percentage points behind the 5-year average. Overall, 63 percent of the corn crop was reported in good to excellent condition on June 2, compared with 72 percent at the same time last year.

Producers planted 90 percent of their acreage with seed varieties developed using biotechnology, up 2 percent from 2012. Varieties containing *bacillus thuringiensis* (Bt) were planted on 5 percent of the acreage, down 10 percentage points from last year. Herbicide resistant varieties developed using biotechnology were planted on 14 percent of the acreage, down 7 percentage points from 2012. Stacked gene varieties, those containing both insect and herbicide resistance, were planted on 71 percent of the acreage, up 19 percentage points from a year ago.

**Soybean** planted area for 2013 is estimated at a record high 77.7 million acres, up 1 percent from last year. Area for harvest, at 76.9 million acres, is up 1 percent from 2012 and will be a record high, if realized. Record high planted acreage is estimated in New York, Pennsylvania, and South Dakota.

**All wheat** planted area for 2013 is estimated at 56.5 million acres, up 1 percent from 2012. The 2013 winter wheat planted area, at 42.7 million acres, is 3 percent above last year and up 2 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 29.4 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 9.96 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.38 million acres are White Winter. Area planted to other spring wheat for 2013 is estimated at 12.3 million acres, up slightly from 2012. Of this total, about 11.7 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. The estimated Durum wheat planted area for 2013 is estimated at 1.54 million acres, down 28 percent from the previous year.

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## GRAIN STOCKS

### ILLINOIS

Stocks of **corn** in Illinois on June 1, 2013 were estimated at 391.1 million bushels, 17 percent below June 1, 2012. On-farm stocks were 115 million bushels, down 38 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 276.1 million bushels, were down 4 percent from 2012. The March-May indicated disappearance was 396 million bushels, compared to the disappearance of 536 million bushels last year.

**Soybean** stocks were estimated at 53.7 million bushels on June 1, 2013, 47 percent below a year earlier. On-farm stocks totaled 21 million bushels, which compares to 24 million on June 1, 2012. Off-farm stocks totaled 32.7 million bushels, down 57 percent from last year. The March-May indicated disappearance for stocks in all positions was 85.1 million bushels, compared to the disappearance of 94.5 million bushels a year ago.

**Wheat** stocks on June 1, 2013 were estimated at 15.7 million bushels, down from 36.6 million bushels a year ago. Off-farm stocks were 15.1 million bushels, 96 percent of the total stocks.

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**Corn** stocks in all positions on June 1, 2013 totaled 2.76 billion bushels, down 12 percent from June 1, 2012. Of the total stocks, 1.26 billion bushels are stored on farms, down 15 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 1.50 billion bushels, are down 10 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2013 indicated disappearance is 2.64 billion bushels, compared with 2.88 billion bushels during the same period last year.

**Soybeans** stored in all positions on June 1, 2013 totaled 435 million bushels, down 35 percent from June 1, 2012. On-farm stocks totaled 171 million bushels, down 4 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 263 million bushels, are down 46 percent from a year ago. Indicated disappearance for the March - May 2013 quarter totaled 564 million bushels, down 20 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**Old crop all wheat** stored in all positions on June 1, 2013 totaled 718 million bushels, down 3 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 120 million bushels, up 7 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 598 million bushels, are down 5 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2013 indicated disappearance is 516 million bushels, up 13 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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**CORN BY DISTRICTS, ILLINOIS 2012-13**

District	Corn			
	Acres planted		Acres for grain	
	2012	2013	2012	2013
	Thousands			
Northwest	2,154	1,990	2,090	1,950
Northeast	1,185	1,300	1,153	1,270
West	1,233	1,140	1,201	1,120
Central	1,705	1,710	1,675	1,660
East	1,732	1,540	1,699	1,510
West Southwest	1,784	1,720	1,727	1,650
East Southeast	1,673	1,570	1,531	1,530
Southwest	631	660	547	650
Southeast	703	570	627	560
ILLINOIS	12,800	12,200	12,400	11,900

**SOYBEANS BY DISTRICTS, ILLINOIS 2012-13**

District	Soybeans			
	Acres planted		Acres harvested	
	2012	2013	2012	2013
	Thousands			
Northwest	849	1,000	844	995
Northeast	682	710	679	705
West	826	850	820	845
Central	1,156	1,200	1,149	1,195
East	1,312	1,330	1,303	1,325
West Southwest	1,190	1,300	1,178	1,295
East Southeast	1,491	1,450	1,471	1,445
Southwest	827	890	779	880
Southeast	717	670	697	665
ILLINOIS	9,050	9,400	8,920	9,350

**WINTER WHEAT BY DISTRICTS, ILLINOIS 2012-13**

District	Winter Wheat			
	Acres planted		Acres for grain	
	2012	2013	2012	2013
	Thousands			
Northwest	23.1	45	22.8	40
Northeast	29.3	55	28.7	54
West	24.2	35	23.2	33
Central	17.4	30	16.9	29
East	30.9	60	28.5	59
West Southwest	74.6	100	74.1	98
East Southeast	106.0	100	104.0	95
Southwest	252.5	265	246.5	256
Southeast	102.0	160	100.3	156
ILLINOIS	660.0	850	645.0	820